

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/735,533

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 9/6/2007.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,3,4 and 8-10.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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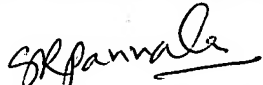
Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.

THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date Attached.
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____


Sathyanarayan Pannala
Primary Examiner

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. Applicant's Amendment filed on 9/6/2007 has been entered. In this Office Action, claims 1, 3-4, 8-10 are pending and renumbered for allowance as 1-6.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Joshua A. Stockwell on 9/26/2007.

Claims: Replace original claims 1-7 on record and add claims 8-10 with the following:

Claim 1 (Currently amended). A method of loading data into a database, comprising the steps of:

providing an operating system and access method for a record data;

providing a default input routine by the access method for the operating system;

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providing a database capable of having record data loaded therein;

providing a computer's main memory;

providing an application data section in the computer's main memory;

providing an input buffer section in the computer's main memory;

providing record data for loading into the database; the record data residing in the computer's main memory;

invoking a coordinating program;

invoking a load utility program that issues record data input requests, opens record data from external media and loads record data to the database therefrom; the load utility having a required syntax;

with the coordinating program, intercepting record data input requests from external media made by the load utility program;

replacing the record data input request from external media with record data input requests from the computer's main memory;

formatting the record data to the syntax required by the load utility;

moving formatted record data from the application data memory section to the input buffer section, for later processing by the load utility;

inserting record data from computer's main memory directly into the database by the load utility; and

whereby delays encountered by reading of input files on the external media by the load utility is avoided.

Claim 2 canceled.

Claim 3 (Currently amended). The method of Claim [[2]] 1, further comprising the steps of:

- providing record data in the application data memory section;
- moving record data in the application data section to the input buffer section of file computer's main memory by the load utility; and
- inserting record data from the input buffer section of the computer's main memory directly into the database.

Claim 4 (Currently amended). The method of Claim [[2]] 1, further comprising the steps of:

- providing record data in the application data memory section;
- copying record data in the application data section to the input buffer section of the computer's main memory by the load utility; and
- inserting record data from the input buffer section of the computer's main memory directly into file database.

Claims 5-7 canceled.

Claim 8 (New). A method of loading data into a database, comprising the steps of:

providing an operating system and access method for a record data;

providing a default input routine by the access method for the operating system;

providing a database capable of having record data loaded therein;

providing a computer's main memory;

providing an application data section in the computer's main memory;

providing an input buffer section in the computer's main memory;

providing record data for loading into the database; the record data residing in the computer's main memory;

invoking a coordinating program;

invoking a load utility program that issues record data input requests, opens record data from external media and loads record data to the database therefrom; the load utility having a required syntax;

with the coordinating program, intercepting record data input requests from external media made by the load utility program;

replacing the record data input request from external media with record data input requests from the computer's main memory;

formatting the record data to the syntax required by the load utility;

coving formatted record data from the application data memory section to the input buffer section, for later processing by the load utility;

inserting record data from computer's main memory directly into the database by the load utility; and

whereby delays encountered by reading of input files on the external media by the load utility is avoided.

Claim 9 (New). The method of Claim 8, further comprising the steps of:

providing record data in the application data memory section;

moving record data in the application data section to the input buffer section of file computer's main memory by the load utility; and

inserting record data from the input buffer section of the computer's main memory directly into the database.

Claim 10 (New). The method of Claim 8, further comprising the steps of:

providing record data in the application data memory section;

copying record data in the application data section to the input buffer section of the computer's main memory by the load utility; and

inserting record data from the input buffer section of the computer's main memory directly into file database.

Reasons for allowance

3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

- Prior art of record does not appear to teach or suggest or render obvious the claimed limitations in combination with the specific added limitations as recited in independent claims 1 and 8. The prior art of record fails to teach or

suggest in combination of claimed elements including "intercepts record data input requests from the load utility program."

- Chan et al. (US Patent 6,453,314) teaches an invention relates to Relational Database Processing Systems, and in particular, to constraint checking and violation capture for bulk data stored in a relational database. Nakayama et al. (US Patent 5,280,583) teaches an invention to provide an electronic interlocation system including a plurality of terminals or work stations each imparted with a multi-window function and interconnected to one another and which system can enjoy much improved information service performance.
- At the time of Interview, Applicant agreed and sent the Proposed Amendment by combining claims 2, 5-6 with claim 1 and newly added claims 8-10 by combining claims 1-2, 5 and 7 to form claim 8 and reproduced claims 3-4 as 9-10 respectively. Further, Applicant authorized to do Examiner's Amendment to expedite the prosecution
- Applicant's arguments filed on 9/6/2007 in the Remarks section on Page 3, paragraphs last are persuasive and convincing.

4. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably

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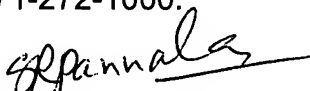
accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sathyanarayan Pannala whose telephone number is (571) 272-4115. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00 am - 5:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Charles Rones can be reached on (571) 272-4085. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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